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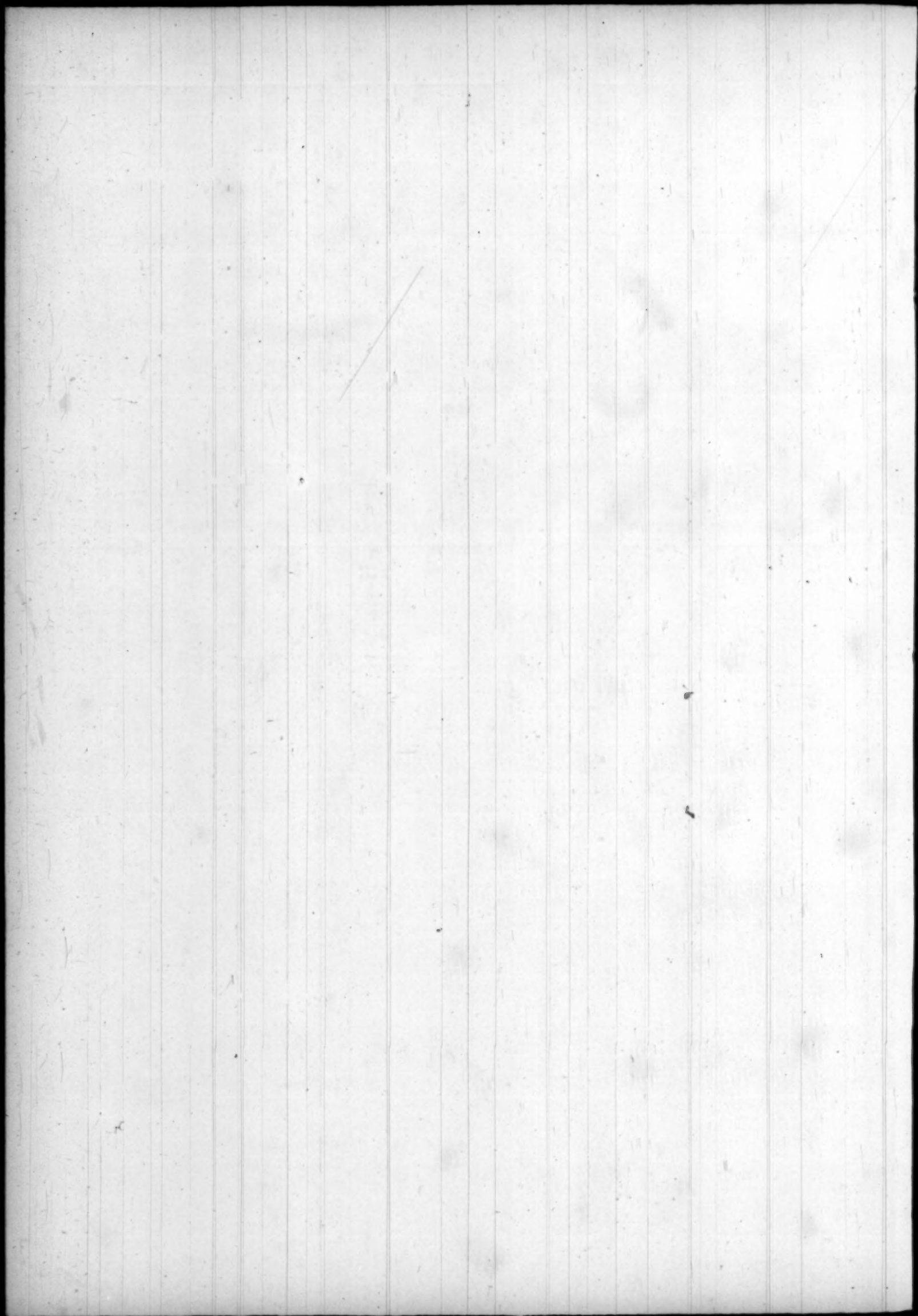
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VERY RARE.

This was probably printed by the "Right ^{Right}~~Press~~
Press at Amsterdam, as the capital "W" used
here was also used by that Press.

The tract deals with the attempt of Charles
I. to impose the English Book of Common Prayer
Prayer upon Scotland.

A fine copy, bound in crushed brown ~~mere~~
morocco, extra.



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HARLES &c. For soe much as vvee
out of our princely care of maintanng the true re-
ligion all ready professed, and so beating downe all
superstition: Having ordained a booke of common
prayer to bee compiled for the generall and vniver-
sall vse and edification of our subjects within our an-
cient kingdome of Scotland, the same being accor-
dingly don. In the framing whereof we tooke great care and paines so
that there is nothing past therein but what was seen and approved by
vs, before the same was divulgated or printed: assuring all our loving
subjects that not only our intention is, but even this very booke a rea-
dy meanes to maintaine the true religion already professed, and beat
out all superstition, of which wee in our owne time doe not doubt but
in a faire course to satisfie the iudgments of our good subjects: But
having seen and considered some petitions and declarations given into
our coun'ell against the said Booke and late **CANNONS** of the
booke, find our regall authority much iniured thereby, both in the mat-
ter and the carriage, whereby wee certefie these of the Nobility, gen-
try, Barrons Ministers and others who have kept & assisted those mee-
tings and convocations for contriving and subscribing of the said peti-
tions, to bee liable to our high censure, both in their persons
and fortunes, they having conveyned themselves without our consent
or authority: Yet because wee beleewe that they have done herein on-
ly out of a preposterous zeale, and without any disloyalty or disaffecti-
to our Soueraingty: Our gracious pleasure (so farr as concernes those
meetings for consulting and subscribing of the said petitions or presen-
ting of the same to any iudge or iudges within this kingdom) is to dis-
pense therewith, and with what may bee the fault or error therein, to
all such as vpon signification or declaration of this our pleasure, shall
retein themselves as become good and dutifull subjects. To which
purpose **OVR WILL** is henceforth, and we charge you streaghtly
and commaund that incontinently these our letters seen, the particu-
lers and in our name and authority proclamation thereof bee made to
all our leige subiects in all places needefull; that so none pretend igno-
rance hereof, and therewithall in our name and authority that ye dis-
charge

charge all such convocations and meetings in time to come, vnder the penalty of treason and also that ye command, charge and inhibit all our leiges and subjects, that none of them on any hand presume to resort or repaire to the Burrough of Starling, nor to any other Burrough, where our counsell and Session sits, till first they declare the cause of their comming to our counsell, and declare their warrant to that effect: And further that wee commaund and charge all and sundrie *Provosts, Bayleifes, and Magistrates* within their bourroughs that they, & every one of them have a speciall care & regard, to see this our royall will and pleasure readily & dutifully observed in all points, and that noe violence be suffered within your bounds, vnder all the highest penalty, crime or offence that they may comit against us in that behalfe: And also that ye cammaund and charge all & sundry *Noblemen, Barons & Burgessees* who are not actuall indwellers within the Burrough, neither are of number of the privy counsell and Session; and members thereof, and are already within this Burrough: that they and everie one of them remoue themselves, and depart and passe forth of the said Burrough (and not returne againe without the said warrant) within the space of six houres after the publication hereof, vnder the said penaltie of treason: And as concerning any petitions that shall hereafter bee given to vs, upon this or any other subject: wee are likewise pleased to declare that we will not shut our eares there from: soe it bee not prejudiciall to our royall authoritie. *Given at starling vnder our signet the 19 of Febr. 1638*

Per actum Dominorum Consilij.

THE KINGS PROCLAMATION

Being

Proclaimed, the protestation here following against it, was at the same instance in the open street publickly read.



EE the Noble men, Barons and Ministers appointed to attend his maiesties answere unto our humble petitions, and to present our grieuances, and to doe what else might lawfully conduce to our humble desires. Did upon the 13 of September last, present one supplication to your Lordships; and another upon the 18 of October following: as also a new bill relative to the former in December after the 19 day.

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In all which, we humbly remonstrated, our iust exceptions against the Service booke, and Booke of Cannons, Arch-bishops and Bishops of this kingdome, as the contrivers, meanerers and urgers thereof; and against their sitting as our Iudges untill the causes betweene them and vs be decided.

And withall we earnestly supplicated to be ridd and delivered from these evils, and from all other innovations of that kind, introduced against the laudable lawes of this kingdome: as namely that of the *high Commission* and other evils particularly and generally mentioned in our supplications and complaints: And that these our *parties*, delinquent against our religion and lawes might be taken order with, and these pressing greivances be redressed, according to the laws of this realme, as in our supplications we have more largely expressed, the which we gaue into your Lordships upon the 19 of December aforesaid, against the Arch-bishops and Bishops our *parties*, who by consequence therefore neither could be, nor may be our Iudges.

Whereupon your Lordships declared by your act given at Dealkeeth the said 19 of December, that you would present our petition to his maiesties royall consideration, & that without any prejudice to us the said *supplicants*, and moreover that we should bee heard, in time and place convenient & in the mean time we should receaue no preiudice as the said act it selfe testifies for vs.

Now where as we your humble supplicants (with long patience and hope grounded upon sudnry promises) were expecting an answer vnto our fore named humble desires, we understood of some direction from his maiestie, to you the Lords of his highnes privy counsell, touching our complaints: and upon the same admitted the consulting & iudging both, of our supplication, and the kings answer there to, vnto the Arch-bishops and Bishops our direct *parties*: Contrary to our Protestation given in at Dealkeeth, and since renewed at Starling: and contrary to your Lordships foresaid act made at Dealkeeth.

Least therefore our silence should bee preiudiciall to this so importunate a cause, as concernes Gods glory and worship, our religion and saluation, the lawes and liberties of this kingdome: or derogatory to our former supplications and complaints: or in breife, not answerable to the truit of our commission: we are forced out of our bounden duty to God, our king and native cuntry to take instrument in the notaries and Clarkes hands (seeing your Lordships refuse to admitt our Declimiter for remoueall these of our parties) & to protest in manner following.

1. Wee protest that we may & ought to haue an immediate course to present our iust greivances to our sacred Soverainge, and in a legall way and manner to prosecute the same, before the ordinarie and comperent iudges, civil or Eccleasticall; without any offence either offered by vs, or taken by your Lordships.

2. Wee

2. Wee protest that the Arch-bish & Bishops the parties whome we complaine vpon, cannot bee reputed or esteemed lawfull iudges, to sit in iudicatory within this kingdome civill or Ecclesiasticall, upon any of vs the said supplicants, until they doe by lawfull triall iudiciously purge themselves of such crimes as we have already laid to their charge: offering our selves to prove the same whensoever his maiestie shalbe pleased to give us audience.

3. Wee protest that no act or proclamation, whether past or here after shall passe, in the counsell, and by the states of Archb. and Bishops (our parties and whome we have deelyned to be our Iudges) shall in no wise bee prejudiciall to vs, that is, either to our persons, our lawfull meetings, proceedings and pursuits.

4. Wee protest that neither our selves, nor any others, whose hearts the Lord shall moue to ioyne with vs in our supplications against the aforesaid innovations, shall incurre any danger, either in life, lands, or any politicall or Ecclesiasticall penaltie: For not observing such acts, Bookes, Canons, Writts, iudicatories and proclamations introduced without, or against the acts of parliament, or statutes of this kingdome. But it shalbe lawfull for us and them to vse our selves in matters of religion, or the externall worship of God, and policie of the Church; according to the word of God, and the laudable constitutions of this Church and kingdome.

5. Seeing all such as have taken these innovations to heart, have by a legal and submissive way of supplications sought redresse and been calme and quiet in hope of reformation: Wee protest therefore that if inconvenience shall happen to fall out (which we pray God to prevent) vpon the pressing of the said innovations or evils, generally and specially mentioned in our former complaints, and vpon your Lordships refusall, to take order for redresse. That the same shall not be imputed unto us, who most humbly desire to have all things redressed by order.

6. We protest before God, the Heayens, and the Angels, that these our Requests (proceeding from conscience, and our due respect to his Majesties honour) doe tend to no other end, but to the preservation of the true reformed religion, the Lawes & Liberties of his Majesties most ancient Kingdome, and the satisfaction of our humble desires contained in our supplications, according to his Majesties goodnesse and justice; From whom we doe certainly expect, that his sacred Majestie will proceed and grant remedy to our just petitions and complaints: as may be expected from so gracious a King towards his loyall and dutifull Subjects, calling for redresse of so oppressing grievances, praying hartily that his Majestie may long and prosperously raigne over us. Amen

